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2013Candidate Qualifying Guide

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A Message from the Secretary of State

Dear Fellow Mississippian:

Our office is pleased to provide you with the *2013 Mississippi Elections Candidate Qualifying Guide*. This handbook carefully outlines candidate qualifications, qualifying deadlines, and procedures.

I encourage you to take advantage of the resources offered by our agency, and I hope you find this guide useful. If my office can assist you with additional information or clarification regarding candidate qualifying, please do not hesitate to call the Elections Division at 601-576-2550 or 800-829-6786.

Sincerely yours,

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About This Guide

This qualifying guide provides essential information for candidates running in Mississippi's regular municipal elections in 2013. This guide begins with an overview of the qualifying process for party and independent candidates seeking public office. Candidates should familiarize themselves with the legal qualifications and the qualifying procedures for the office they intend to seek. This guide only discusses offices up for election in 2013.

All candidates must file campaign finance reports. This guide includes an explanation of campaign finance reporting requirements. Keep in mind, failure to file campaign finance reports could result in criminal and civil penalties. This guide is available at the Secretary of State's Office website at: www.sos.ms.gov.

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Candidate Requirements: An Overview

Political Party Candidates

A political party candidate must submit two items to the municipal clerk's office: (1) a filing fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) by 5:00 p.m. at least sixty (60) days prior to the primary election and, (2) a written Statement of Intent containing the name and address of the candidate, the name of the party with which the candidate is affiliated, and the office the candidate is seeking (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-309 (1972)). The Municipal Clerk must forward the Statement of Intent and the filing fee to the Secretary of the proper Executive Committee. The forms are available at your Municipal Clerk's Office, Municipal Party headquarters, and the Secretary of State's Office. You may also download the form from the Secretary of State's Office website: www.sos.ms.gov.

The Municipal Clerk must give the candidate a receipt for payment of the filing fee and keep an itemized account showing the date and time of the payment, the name of the person from whom the payment was received, the party with which the candidate is affiliated, and the office the candidate is seeking. For auditing purposes, the Clerk should request that candidates pay the filing fee by check made out to the appropriate Municipal Executive Committee, instead of accepting cash.

Municipal Party Executive Committees

Municipal Party Executive Committees are responsible for conducting all Primary Elections (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-263 (1972)). The Democratic Party has one, the Republican Party has one. A temporary Municipal Executive Committee is only needed if none exist and a candidate is running by party.

During the 2001 Legislative Session, Senate Bill 2523 and House Bill 1220 enabled Municipal Party Executive Committees to enter into written agreements with Municipal Election Commissions or Municipal Clerks to perform certain specified duties in a Primary Election. The six major areas concerning primaries that may be performed by Election Commissions or Municipal Clerks following the timely signing of such agreements are: (1) appointing of poll managers; (2) training of poll managers; (3) distributing ballot boxes; (4) printing ballots; (5) distributing ballots to poll managers; and (6) canvassing and certifying the election. (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-239; 23-15-265; 23-15-267; 23-15-333; 23-15-335; 23-15-597 (1972))

Additionally, the Municipal Clerk shall have the authority to contact the chairman and secretary of the Election Integrity Assurance Committee of the appropriate state executive committee if a Municipal Executive Committee fails to timely perform the duties required of it in Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-239; 23-15-265; 23-15-267; 23-15-333; 23-15-335; 23-15-597 (1972).

Each Executive Committee shall have as many members as there are elected officers of the municipality. Members of the Executive Committee are <u>elected in the Primary Election</u> – their names are on the party primary ballot. Candidates for Executive Committee must complete a candidate qualifying form and submit it to the Municipal Clerk by the qualifying deadline for candidates for municipal elected offices. Vacancies on the Executive Committee are filled by the remaining Committee members (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-171 (1972)).

A political party which does not have an Executive Committee may establish a temporary Committee to conduct a primary election and to serve until a permanent Committee is elected in the primary. The following steps are spelled out in Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-313 and 23-15-315 (1972):

- 1. Five (5) or more residents of the municipality who are members of the political party desiring to conduct a primary shall petition the Chairman of the County Executive Committee of the party.
- 2. The County Chairman shall call a "mass meeting" of the voters of that political party who reside in the municipality. The meeting should be held at a time and place designated in the call.
- 3. For three (3) weeks preceding the date set for the meeting, the Chairman of the County Executive Committee must publish a copy of his/her call in some newspaper published in the municipality. If no newspaper is published in the municipality, then the Chairman of the County Executive Committee should post notices of the meeting in three (3) public places in the municipality not less than three (3) weeks before the date of the meeting.
- 4. At the "mass meeting," the party members shall select a temporary Municipal Executive Committee to serve until the Primary Election when the permanent Executive Committee will be elected.

Independent Candidates

Independent candidates do not pay a qualifying fee. To qualify as an independent candidate in a municipal general election, a candidate must file a petition with the Municipal Clerk by 5:00 p.m. on the same day that candidates in Primary Elections must qualify, i.e., at least sixty (60) days prior to the first primary election (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-361 and 23-15-309 (1972)).

The petition must be signed by at least fifty (50) qualified voters of a municipality or ward, if the municipality or ward has a population of one thousand (1,000) residents or more. The petition must be signed by at least fifteen (15) qualified voters of a municipality or ward, if the municipality or ward, has a population of fewer than one thousand (1,000) residents (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-361 (1972)). The Municipal Clerk must certify that the signatures are those of registered voters in the municipality. Petitions are available at the Municipal Clerk's Office, the Secretary of State's Office and may be downloaded from the Secretary of State's website at www.sos.ms.gov.

Qualifying Papers

What to file?

All Candidates must file a Statement of Economic Interest with the Mississippi Ethics Commission within fifteen (15) days of qualifying.

Municipal Offices:

- Party
 - 1. Qualifying Statement of Intent;
 - 2. Qualifying Fee
- Independent
 - 1. Qualifying Statement of Intent;
 - 2. Certified Petition with Signatures

Special Separate Municipal School Districts include only Vicksburg/Warren County, Grenada, Louisville, Tishomingo and Natchez/Adams County. In addition to the different qualifying period(s), Special Separate Municipal School District Trustee candidates must also secure the signature of 150 qualified electors.

Where to file Qualifying Papers?

1. Political Party

Party candidates for Municipal offices must file their qualifying papers (statement of intent and qualifying fee) with the appropriate **Municipal Clerk**.

2. Independent

Independent candidates for Municipal offices must file their qualifying papers (certified petition and statement of intent with the appropriate **Municipal Clerk**.

Reference the Elections Calendar on page 9 for qualifying time periods.

Additional Requirements

All candidates must meet the following additional requirements to qualify for office:

- Qualified elector (registered voter) of the State of Mississippi in the municipality of the office for which the candidate seeks election.
- Never have been convicted of bribery, perjury or other infamous crime, being defined as a crime punishable by confinement in the penitentiary (unless the candidate received a full pardon).
- Never have been convicted of a felony in federal court after December 8, 1992, nor of a crime in the court of another state which is a felony in this state, after December 8, 1992, as provided in Section 44 of the Mississippi Constitution.

Campaign Finance Disclosure

All candidates for public office in Mississippi must file campaign finance reports in accordance with state law. These reports are mandatory and are explained in further detail in the Secretary of State's Office publication entitled Campaign Finance Disclosure in Mississippi, and in Miss. Code Ann., § 23-15-801 et seq. (1972). Forms are available from your Circuit Clerk, the Secretary of State's Office, or at www.sos.ms.gov. For more information, see page 10.

Special Charters

The municipalities listed below may have elections on different dates than specified in this guide. Please check with your Municipal Clerk.

Aberdeen	Greenville	Okolona	Utica
Ackerman	Grenada	Port Gibson	Vicksburg
Carthage	Indianola	Rosedale	Water Valley
Columbus	Louisville	Satartia	Waveland
Corinth	McComb	Shannon	Woodville
Fulton	Natchez	Summit	Yazoo City



2013 ELECTIONS CALENDAR

(Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-309, 23-15-361)

Tuesday, May 7, 2013 Primary Election Day*, Municipal Office(s) (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-

15-171

Tuesday, May 21, 2013 Primary Run-Off Election Day*, Municipal Office(s) (Miss. Code

Ann. § 23-15-171)

Tuesday, June 4, 2013 Municipal General Election Day*

(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-173)

Wednesday, August 7, 2013 Qualifying Period Begins for Consolidated /Consolidated Line

School District Trustee and Special Municipal Separate School District Trustee (Louisville, Grenada, Natchez-Adams, Tishomingo County and Vicksburg-Warren County). (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-7-

225, 37-7-711)

Friday, September 6, 2013, 5:00 p.m. Qualifying Deadline: Consolidated/Consolidated Line School

District Trustee, Municipal Separate School District Trustee, Vicksburg-Warren County Special Municipal Separate School District Trustee and Regular Special Election Candidates (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-7-211, 37-7-225, 37-7-711 and 23-15-833)

Friday, October 4, 2013, 5:00 p.m. Qualifying Deadline: (last business day before 30 days prior to

Election Day) Special Municipal Separate School District Trustee (Louisville, Grenada, Natchez-Adams, Tishomingo County only).

(Miss. Code Ann. § 37-7-711)

Tuesday, November 5, 2013 Election Day: Regular Special Elections to fill vacancies; Municipal

Separate School District Trustee; Consolidated/ Consolidated Line School District Trustee; Special Municipal Separate School District Trustee; (Mine Code Arm \$8.22.15, 822, 27.7.215, 27.7.222)

Trustee (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-833, 37-7-215, 37-7-223)

Tuesday, November 26, 2013 Runoff Election Day (if necessary): Special Elections; Consolidated/

Consolidated Line School District Trustee (Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-

15-833, 37-7-215, 37-7-227)

^{*}Special Charter Municipalities: A special or private charter may fix a date and time for the general election for the special / private charter municipality. In such case, a first primary shall be held exactly four (4) weeks before the general election with a second (run-off) primary to be held two (2) weeks after the first primary, unless provided otherwise by the special or private charter.

Campaign Finance Disclosure

Mississippi law states that all candidates for elective office must file campaign finance disclosure reports. Under the law, one is a candidate if he or she has filed qualifying papers or has spent or received over \$200 toward an election campaign. Following the qualifying deadline, all persons who have filed qualifying papers are candidates under the law, even if they have not received or spent \$200. Reports must be filed by all candidates even if they have no contributions or disbursements to itemize. Forms necessary for compliance with these laws are available from the Secretary of State's Office or the Circuit Clerk. Campaign Finance reporting forms may also be downloaded from the Secretary of State's website: www.sos.ms.gov.

What to report?

Itemized Contributions

Each report must contain an itemized listing of each contributor, including name, address, occupation, employer, date of each contribution, and amount of each contribution giving year-to-date totals aggregating to more than \$200 (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807 (1972)). The grand totals of itemized contributions plus non-itemized contributions must be disclosed (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807 (1972)).

Itemized Disbursements

Each report must contain an itemized listing of each person, business, or entity including name, address, occupation, employer, date of each expenditure or disbursement, and each amount receiving year-to-date totals aggregating to more than \$200 (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807 (1972)). The grand totals of itemized expenditures plus non-itemized expenditures must be disclosed (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807 (1972)).

Non-Itemized Contributions and Disbursements

Contributions and disbursements aggregating to \$200 or less in a calendar year do not have to be itemized. However, these amounts are included in grand totals of all contributions and grand totals of all disbursements as indicated on the cover sheet of each report.

Totals

All reports filed under state law must include aggregate year-to-date and reporting period totals of contributions received and expenditures and disbursements made from all sources. Total cash on hand must be reported (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807 (1972)). Each report must also include each of the following categories.

Reporting Threshold

Beginning in 1999, all candidates and political committees must fully itemize (identify) the source of contributions and disbursements when they aggregate to more than \$200 in a calendar year (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807 (1972)).

When to file Campaign Finance Reports?

Reports are due no later than 5 p.m. on deadline dates in the proper office. If the deadline falls on a weekend or holiday, the report is due at 5 p.m. on the first working day prior to the weekend or holiday. The exact deadline dates are indicated on the front of each reporting form and on the enclosed schedule (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807 (1972)).

Reports must actually be received by the proper office on the deadline date. Regardless of the postmark on the report, the appropriate office must be in actual receipt of reports by 5:00 p.m. on the deadline date (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807 (1972)).

Municipal offices: Candidates must file reports with the Municipal Clerk

(Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807 (1972)).

Fines for Late Reports and Failure to File Reports

Candidates for state or state district offices and political committees required to be registered with the Secretary of State's Office are fined \$50 per day for failure to file reports by the statutory deadlines. The maximum fine for a single report is \$50.00 per day for a maximum of 10 days; thus, \$500 total. The maximum fine for failure to file all five (5) reports required in 2013 is \$2,500 (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-813 (1972)).

Additional Penalties for Failure to File Reports

Any candidate who willfully and deliberately does not file reports shall be charged with a misdemeanor. The candidate shall not be certified as nominated for election, as elected to office, nor receive salary or remuneration for the office until all required reports are filed (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-811 (1972)).

48-Hour Reports

If a candidate or candidate's committee receives a contribution of more than \$200 after the tenth day, but more than 48 hours before 12:01 a.m. on the day of the election, the candidate or candidate's committee must fully disclose the contribution by filing a "48-Hour Report" with the appropriate office, designated in (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-802 (1972)), within forty-eight (48) hours of the contribution.

The notification shall be in writing, and may be transmitted by overnight mail, courier service, or other reliable means, including electronic facsimile (FAX), but the candidate or candidate's committee shall ensure that the notification shall in fact be received in the appropriate office within forty-eight (48) hours of the contribution (Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807 (1972)).

48-Hour Reporting Requirements may be found in Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-805 (1972).



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2013 CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING SCHEDULE

Thursday, January 31, 2013

(January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012)

Tuesday, April 30, 2013

(January 1, 2013 through April 27, 2013)

Friday, May 14, 2013

(April 28, 2013 through May 11, 2013)

Tuesday, May 28, 2013

(April 28, 2013 through May 25, 2013)

Tuesday, October 29, 2013

(January 1, 2013 through October 26, 2013)

Tuesday, November 19, 2013

(October 27, 2013 through November 16, 2013)

Friday, January 31, 2014

(January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013)

Annual Report

All Candidates

Pre-Election Report

Municipal Primary Candidates only (May 7th Election)

Pre-Runoff Report

Municipal Primary Run-off Candidates only (May 21st Election)

Pre-Election Report

Municipal General Candidates (June 4th Election)

Pre-Election Report

All General and Special Election Candidates
(November 5th Election)

Pre-Runoff Report

General and Special Runoff Election Candidates only (November 26th Election)

Annual Report

All Candidates

<u>Termination Report</u>- Required by all candidates and political committees in order to end reporting obligations. To be eligible for termination, the candidate or committee must no longer be soliciting contributions, no longer making campaign disbursements, nor have any outstanding debts or financial obligations.

*Campaign Finance Forms are available from your Circuit Clerk, the Secretary of State's website: www.sos.ms.gov or by calling the Secretary of State's Office at (601) 576-2550, or (800) 829-6786. The Secretary of State's Office also has an explanatory handbook entitled Campaign Finance Disclosure in Mississippi: For Candidates and Political Committees, which provides detailed information on campaign finance procedures and contains a complete copy of the campaign finance disclosure law.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Where can elected officials find information on their official duties and responsibilities?

A: The Mississippi Code which can be accessed through the Mississippi Secretary of State's Office's website: www.sos.ms.gov.

Q: Where do candidates file their Statement of Economic Interest?

A: The Mississippi Ethics Commission 146 E. Amite St., Rm 103, Burroughs Bldg. Jackson, MS 39201 (601) 359-1285

Q: Is every municipality required to have a Municipal Executive Committee?

A: No, only if a candidate is running by party.

Q: Who is responsible for forming a Temporary Municipal Executive Committee?

A: The political party.

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Natural Law Party of Mississippi (N)

9301 Dogwood Avenue Ocean Springs, MS 39564

Web site: www.natural-law.org

Green Party of Mississippi 707D McLarty Road

Oxford, MS. 38655

Web site: www.greenpartyms.org

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Learning More about Elections in Mississippi

For further information about Mississippi's election process, visit our website at www.sos.ms.gov. At that location, you will find all of our Elections Division publications.

This qualifying guide has been produced as an aid and a convenience for candidates who wish to qualify for municipal elections in 2013. Candidates should be aware that changes in state law enacted after the printing of this guide or court decisions made after the printing of this guide may change deadlines or other substantive provisions of election law. Accordingly, in addition to using this guide, candidates should review all current elections and campaign finance laws relevant to the office they seek.

This guide is not intended to address qualifying for special elections. Candidates interested in qualifying for special elections should contact their Circuit Clerk or the Secretary of State's Office for additional information.

This guide supersedes all previous editions of Candidate Qualifying Guides issued by this office, as well as Section 7 of the Mississippi Guide to Elections publication of June 2002.

Important Contact Information

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MSOS Elections Mainline	(601) 576-2550
MSOS Elections Fax	(601) 576-2545
MSOS Fax (Alternate)	(601) 359-5019
MSOS Website	www.sos.ms.gov
U.S. Department of Justice (Voting Section)	(800) 253-3931
Mississippi Ethics Commission	(601) 359-1285
Mississippi Attorney General's Office	(601) 359-3680

Appendix A: Candidate Qualifying Forms and Campaign Finance Forms	•

QUALIFYING STATEMENT OF INTENT FOR A CANDIDATE FOR PARTY NOMINATION FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR



I,			
	(Nar	me, as it will appear on the ba	ıllot)
		(Mailing Address)	
		(Street Address)	
	(City)	(State)	(Zip code)
(Work	telephone)	(Home telephone)	(E-mail Address)
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State of Miss	sissippi, do hereby decla	are my candidacy for the	
Party nomina	ation for the office of M	ayor at the Primary Election	scheduled to be held
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hereby cert	ify that: (mark as applic	able)	
		victed of bribery, perjury or a ment in the Mississippi Penito	ny other crime punishable by at entiary.
	crime in the court of a	<u>-</u>	rt after December 8, 1992, nor of a in this state, after December 8, Constitution.
	I meet all constitutions	al, statutory and other legal re	equirements to hold said office.
	(Signature of candid	late)	(Date)
Received by	(Signature)	(Title)	(Date)
	(Signature)	(11110)	(Date)

QUALIFYING STATEMENT OF INTENT FOR A CANDIDATE FOR PARTY NOMINATION FOR THE OFFICE OF ALDERMAN



I,			
	(Na	ame, as it will appear on the ballot)	
		(Mailing Address)	-
		(Street Address)	
(City)		(State)	(Zip code)
(Work t	elephone)	(Home telephone)	(E-mail Address)
a qualified elector	of the municipality of		, Ward No,
State of Mississipp	oi, do hereby declare my ca	andidacy for the	Party nomination for the office
of Alderman at the	Primary Election schedul	ed to be held	, 20
I hereby co	ertify that: (mark as applic	able)	
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	crime in the court of a	eted of a felony in federal court a nother state which is a felony in ection 44 of the Mississippi Con	
	I meet all constitutions	al, statutory and other legal requ	irements to hold said office.
	(Signature of candid	ate)	(Date)
Received by	(Signature)	(Title)	(Date)

QUALIFYING STATEMENT OF INTENT FOR A CANDIDATE FOR PARTY NOMINATION FOR THE OFFICE OF COUNCILMAN



I,			
	(Na	ame, as it will appear on the ballot)	
		(Mailing Address)	···············
		(Street Address)	
(City)		(State)	(Zip Code)
(Work to	elephone)	(Home telephone)	(E-mail Address)
a qualified elector	of the municipality of		, Ward No,
State of Mississip	pi, do hereby declare my ca	andidacy for the	Party nomination for the office
of Councilman at	the Primary Election sched	uled to be held	, 20
I hereby c	ertify that: (mark as applic	able)	
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	crime in the court of a	ted of a felony in federal court a nother state which is a felony in ection 44 of the Mississippi Cou	
	I meet all constitutions	al, statutory and other legal requ	irements to hold said office.
	(Signature of candid	ate)	(Date)
Received by	(Signature)	(Title)	(Date)

QUALIFYING STATEMENT OF INTENT FOR A CANDIDATE FOR PARTY NOMINATION MUNICIPAL OFFICE



	I,	(Name, as it will appear on the	ballot)
		(Mailing Address)	
		(Street Address)	
	(City)	(State)	(Zip code)
(1)	Work telephone)	(Home telephone)	(E-mail Address)
a qual	lified elector of the munici	pality of	, Ward No(if applicable)
State	of Mississippi; do hereby	declare my candidacy for the	
Party	nomination for the office	of	
at the	Primary Election schedule	ed to be held on	te name of office sought)
I here	by certify that: (mark as ap	pplicable)	
		icted of bribery, perjury or any o Mississippi Penitentiary.	other crime punishable by at least one
	in the court of another s	ed of a felony in federal court af state which is a felony in this state of the Mississippi Constitution.	ter December 8, 1992, nor of a crime te, after December 8, 1992, as
	I meet all constitutional	, statutory and other legal requir	rements to hold said office.
	(Signature of ca	andidate) (Date)	
Recei	ved by		
	(Signature)	(Title)	(Date)

QUALIFYING STATEMENT OF INTENT INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR



I, _			
	(Na	me, as it will appear on the ballot	
		(Mailing Address)	
		(Street Address)	
(Ci	ty)	(State)	(Zip code)
(Work	telephone)	(Home telephone)	(E-mail Address)
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fice of Ma	yor at the General Elect	tion scheduled to be held	, 20
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	I meet all constitution	al, statutory and other legal requi	rements to hold said office.
	(Signature of candid	date)	(Date)
eceived by	(Signature)	(Title)	(Date)

Candidate Petition



INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR

Name of Municipality State of Mississippi, hereby petition that the name of he bellot of the General Election scheduled to be held on	TO	: ELECTION COMMI	SSION of	, We the	undersigned	
Name of Municipality State of Mississippi, hereby petition that the name of						
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QUALIFYING STATEMENT OF INTENT INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF ALDERMAN



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	I meet all constitution	onal, statutory and other legal re	equirements to hold said office.
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Candidate Petition



INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE FOR ALDERMAN

	TO: ELECTION COMMISSION of _		·
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QUALIFYING STATEMENT OF INTENT INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE FOR THE OFFICE OF COUNCILMAN



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Candidate Petition



INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE FOR COUNCILMAN

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(County of	, State of Mississippi, hereby petition that the name
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QUALIFYING STATEMENT OF INTENT INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE MUNICIPAL OFFICE



	(Name, as it will appear on the ballot)		
	(Mailing Address)		
		(Street Address)	
	(City)	(State)	(Zip code)
	(Work telephone)	(Home telephone)	(E-mail Address)
a qual	lified elector of the municipality of		
Ward	No(if applicable), State of	Mississippi; do hereby declare	my candidacy as an
indep	endent candidate for the office of		e name of office sought)
at the	General Election scheduled to be he	•	
I her	eby certify that: (mark as appli	icable)	
	I have never been convicted least one year confinement		
	I have not been convicted of a crime in the court of anoth 1992, as provided in Section	ner state which is a felony i	in this state, after December
	I meet all constitutional, sta	tutory and other legal requ	irements to hold said office.
	(Signature of candidate)		(Date)
ived by _	(Signature)	(Title)	(Date)



Candidate Petition MUNICIPAL INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE

TO: ELECTION COM	MMISSION of		,
We the undersigned qualified	Name of Municipality d electors of the		
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QUALIFYING STATEMENT OF INTENT MUNICIPAL SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT TRUSTEE



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a qualified el	ector of the county of	, S	chool District No.			
State of Miss	issippi; do hereby declare	my candidacy for the office of Mun	icipal Separate School District			
Trustee at the	e Elec	tion scheduled to be held	, 20			
I hereby ce	ertify that: (mark as ap	plicable)				
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Candidate Petition MUNICIPAL SEPARATE SCHOOL DISTRICT TRUSTEE



To:	: Election Commission of		, We the undersigned qualified electors of the
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QUALIFYING STATEMENT OF INTENT SPECIAL ELECTION CANDIDATE MUNICIPAL OFFICE



	I,					
	(Name, as it will appear on the ballot)					
		(Mailing Address)				
		(Street Address)				
	(City)	(State)	(Zip code)			
	(Work telephone)	(Home telephone)	(E-mail Address)			
a qual	lified elector of the Municipality	of	,			
Ward	No, (if applicab	le) of the State of Mississippi; do her	reby declare my			
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	I meet all constitutional,	statutory and other legal requi	irements to hold said office.			
	(Signature of candid	late)	(Date)			
ved by _	(Signature)	(Title)	(Date)			

Candidate Petition SPECIAL ELECTION FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICE

	To: ELECTION COMMISSION of	
	We the undersigned qualified electors of	Name of Municipality
	We, the undersigned qualified electors of	Name of Municipality (Ward, if possible)
	County of,	State of Mississippi, hereby petition that the name of
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	twenty (20) days before the date of the election and such petition shall be city, town or village having a population of one thousand (1,000) or mo	ch candidate shall qualify by petition filed with the municipal clerk by 5:00 p.m. at least be signed by not less than the following number of qualified electors: (a) For an office of a city, town or village een (15) qualified electors. No qualifying fee shall be required of any candidate, and the me manner as municipal general elections.
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Municipal Petition BEER AND LIGHT WINE REFERENDUM

Т	TO: The Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City or Town of					
V	We, the undersigned qualified electors of the City or Town of,					
S tu n	tate of Mississippi, hereby petition that an election cansportation, storage, sale, distribution, receipt and	be called on the question of whether or not the /or manufacture of light wine of an alcoholic content of er of an alcoholic content of not more than eight percent				
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Municipal Petition ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS REFERENDUM

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We, the unders	rsigned qualified electors of the City or Town of	,
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